

## 2001 PERFORMANCE REPORT 2 (FINAL REPORT)

**Title:** Pilot Station Sonar Technician Support (Cooperative Agreement Number: 701811M473)

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### 1. Study Objectives and Results

Donald Kelly, a local from Pilot Station, returned as our fisheries technician for the 2001 season, with funding from the FOSM. He has now worked for AVCP as a technician for three years (in 1999 with an R&E Fund grant, and in 2000 and 2001 with FOSM funding). He had worked with the ADF&G and was recommended for re-hire this year. Since Donald was qualified, recommended and available, we did not have to go through the advertising/hiring process for a new technician.

Donald was hired by AVCP, effective June 11, 2001 and started working June 12. September 2 was his final day of work. Through the season, I received no complaints from either Donald or the ADF&G crew regarding each other's workings. It seemed Donald worked well with the crew and vice versa. This is demonstrated through a letter of support from Gene Sandone, the ADF&G's AYK Regional Supervisor, for continued funding for Donald's return in 2002. We had received a similar letter in 2000 from the previous ADF&G Regional Sonar Supervisor, supporting our technician and our funding request/proposal for the 2001 season.

With the Subsistence fishing restrictions this year, the fish caught in the test fishery have become more valuable to the community of Pilot Station. I feel that, in this particular year, that fish has helped to diminish and soothe the "bad feelings" some people have over the management strategies of the regulating agencies (me personal opinion). That may have helped to at least continue existing relationships between ADF&G, AVCP and the local community.

By having a local employed on this project, it not only provide income for himself and his family, it also put more income into the economy of the community.

### 2. Consultations and Capacity Development

Since Donald was a previous AVCP employee with this project, and was able and willing to return for the 2001 season, consultation with the tribal council and the ADF&G regarding the hiring aspect for this technician position was not necessary. I worked directly with Donald through Carl Pfisterer, the ADF&G project supervisor, to have him properly reinstated and ready for work.

For future considerations and proposals of this nature, as is normally the case, I will contact the Pilot Station Traditional Council and encourage them to put forth their own proposals so as to provide themselves with a capacity building mechanism.

3. Methods
4. Scheduling
5. Staffing
6. Budget

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	<u>FY 2001</u>
a) Total Annual Budget	\$20,400.00
b) Expenditures Thru December	<u>\$13,315.11</u>
c) Balance Thru December	\$7,084.89
d) Anticipated Remaining Expenditures	<u>\$0.00</u>
e) Anticipated Final Balance	\$7,084.89

Notes: The final “Order For Supplies or Services” was submitted to AVCP by Karie L. Crow, the contracting/ordering officer, and was dated May 7, 2001.

Unlike in years past, and as is with most proposal budgets, I did not include funding for AVCP staff salary in the 2001 budget. I decided to use the time AVCP staff spent on all aspects of this project and the proposal, as in-kind services. It was my duty to write the pre-proposal, the investigation plan and this final report. I was also charged with making sure Donald had all the necessary paperwork in for hire and that his timesheet was turned in on time, and that he was paid on time. Everything went well.

I was not able to visit the sonar site this summer. I was quite busy in the office, being three people/positions at once (the fisheries biologist, resource specialist and the director), and didn’t have much time for trips around the region.